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Register of Deeds - Johnston County

*"Putting People First"*

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Chairman Kevin Martin  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW  
Room #8B-201  
Washington, DC 20544

Dear Chairman Martin,

The Internet provides such remarkable resources for businesses, individuals and families and it is vital for all citizens to have access, regardless of location or economic status.

Many citizens cannot receive internet access because they live in rural areas where internet providers have not extended their services, and some have no plans to do so. Our citizens should have equal access to the Internet and should not be denied access because they live in a rural location.

Also, many people simply cannot afford internet access. Access is much cheaper in other countries and our citizens should not be left without and struggling because of the cost. Internet access is crucial to independent and small business owners as well and they too deserve an affordable solution.

Finally, it is critical that our children be able to use the Internet and not be bombarded or exposed to indecent and illicit materials. We must find a solution to shield our children from such materials but not place the brunt of the burden on teachers and parents. There must be better filters in place to protect our children and to provide them with a safe resource for information.

I am aware of the proposal under review by the FCC which would provide American's with all of these benefits. I urge you to take the necessary steps to provide the free, family-friendly wireless broadband internet access we so desperately need.

Sincerely,

Craig Olive  
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CC: Commissioner Copps\*  
Commissioner Adelstein\*

Commissioner Tate\*  
Commissioner McDowell\*  
FCC Secretary Marlene Dortch\*  
Kathy Seidel, Acting Chief, Wireless Bureau  
U.S. Senator Elizabeth Dole  
U.S. Senator Richard Burr  
U.S. Representative Bob Etheridge